

Group I, Claims 1-8 and 20-34, drawn to a catalyst supporting substrate and a method for growing carbon nanotubes and a method for manufacturing a transistor using the catalyst supporting substrate.


Group II, Claims 9-19, drawn to a transistor.

It is the Examiner's position that the inventions listed as Groups I and II are distinct from each other.

In response to the Examiner's requirement for restriction, applicant provisionally elects to prosecute the subject matter of Group I, Claims 1-8 and 20-34. However, applicant reserves the right under 35 U.S.C. § §121 and 372 to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims in this application.

In view of the foregoing, an examination on the merits of the elected claims, at an early date, is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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